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Letter dated 22 July 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1607 (2005) concerning Liberia. In paragraph 14 of the resolution, the Council re-established the Panel of Experts appointed pursuant to resolution 1579 (2004) for a further period, until 21 December 2005, to undertake the tasks set out in paragraph 14 of resolution 1607 (2005). In paragraph 15 of that resolution, the Council requested me to appoint, in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia, no more than five experts with the appropriate range of expertise, in particular on arms, timber, diamonds, finance, humanitarian and socio-economic and any other relevant issues.

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that, taking into account the requirements stated in resolution 1607 (2005), including that I draw as much as possible on the expertise of the members of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1579 (2004), I have appointed the following five experts:

Arthur Gregory Blundell (Canada)

Damien Callamand (France)

Caspar Fithen (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Tommy Garnett (Sierra Leone)

Rajiva Bhushan Sinha (India)

I have also designated Mr. Arthur Blundell to serve as the Chairman of the Panel of Experts.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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